JURY SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Name: Sadhanapally Anand Kumar

Occupation: Student

Age: 18 years

Resident: Khammam district



- Sadhanapally Anand Kumar, 17, is the first Dalit to climb the world's highest peak Mount Everest.
- He is a Class XII student in a government-run social welfare hostel (APSWERS). In Telangana's Khammam district. He wants to be an IPS officer.
- Anand Kumar, an SC by caste is the son of Kondal Rao a cycle mechanic, a daily wage earner in a cycle repair shop.
- Anand reached the highest peak with sheer determination and hard work.
- An avalanche during his expedition in April, claimed 16 lives, forcing many climbers to abandon their plans to ascend the Everest, could do little to shake his determination.
- He scaled the Mt. Everest (29,035 ft), the world's highest peak 30mins behind Poorna
- Received 25 lacs cash award & agricultural land from Govt of Telangana.